

MORE BAY STATE MEN OUT FOR T. R.

Four Republican Leaders Say They Will Work with Gardner Group.

FRIENDS URGE M'CALL TO FIGHT IN OPEN

State Race Is Between Weeks and Roosevelt, Declare Senator's Backers.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Boston, Mass., Feb. 13.—The Roosevelt Presidential boom, launched here by a ticket for delegates-at-large, continues to grow. To-day four more Republicans of local prominence definitely announced that they were with the Colonel. They are William F. Jones, of Somerville, president of the 1912 Taft Club and Harvard classmate of Nicholas Longworth; Charles P. Tindley, member of the Republican City Committee, of Beverly, in the district of Representative Gardner, who is a Roosevelt candidate for delegate-at-large; State Representative Fred P. Greenwood, of Beverly, a member of the district delegation to the national convention and who had intended to be unpledged if elected; and Eben H. Goings, of Cambridge, a former legislator, a candidate for delegate in the district formerly represented in the national House by Governor McCall.

Goings' declaration for Roosevelt is significant in that the Governor himself is a Presidential candidate, although he has not declared himself. Previous to the announcement of the candidacy of delegates-at-large, for Roosevelt were intimations that the McCall men were working with Roosevelt. This was due in part to the fact that McCall's campaign manager, Charles S. Baxter, headed the Roosevelt delegates-at-large in 1912. Now McCall's friends are urging the Governor to come out into the open to head off the Roosevelt boom.

The supporters of Senator John W. Weeks declare that the Roosevelt boom will not McCall out of the running, since most of his supporters were converted Progressives. They say that the fight here will be between Weeks and Roosevelt.

The announcements of the Roosevelt quartet today make a total of six prominent Republicans who have climbed on the Roosevelt bandwagon since the declaration of the Roosevelt delegates' ticket. Alvan T. Fuller, prominent in the automobile business and a former legislator, is a Roosevelt candidate in the 14th District. Lombard Williams, a member of the board of directors of the Port of Boston, seeks to be a delegate from the 15th District, pledged to the Colonel.

Republican Clubs Move to Break Solid South

Washington, Feb. 13.—The National League of Republican Clubs is planning a campaign which, it expects, will result not only in Maryland, but probably North Carolina, being placed in the Republican column in November.

The league has organizations in every state, with a total membership of a million and a half. John Hays Hammond has been in recent months touring additional clubs will be organized in Maryland and North Carolina, and active work will not be delayed until after the Chicago convention.

Reports from all sections of Maryland indicate that the Republicans there are aroused as they have not been in recent years.

Reports from North Carolina are that the manufacturers are opposed to the Wilson Administration, which has seriously affected them. Particularly in this true of the cotton and lumber mills.

In 1908 Bryan carried the state by less than 15,000 votes. In 1912 Roosevelt polled 85,000 votes, and Taft 25,000.

The national convention of the league will be held in Chicago in June during the session of the national convention. It is the belief of the league officials that the convention will nominate a ticket which all factions of the party can support, and that the nominees will be elected. The league intends to conduct the most aggressive campaign in its history.

RATTLESNAKE BILL ENDS 137TH TERM IN JAIL

Awaiting Serpent Season Opening, Will Write Autobiography.

Newton, N. J., Feb. 13.—Rattlesnake Bill Van Horn, serpent hunter extraordinaire, has just completed his 137th jail sentence, according to his own record, and is rooming the hills and vales of Sussex County, his native hearth, once again. Bill was liberated from the Sussex County jail last week, after

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serving thirty days for penhandling. He is hovering close to the scene of his last captivity, presumably in the hope that he will again be confined until the rattlesnake season opens again.

"I've been cruelly persecuted and humiliated," Bill complains. "I was cast into a durand-durand without even a trial."

Questioned as to what his future activity would be, Bill said:

"About the first of May I intend to resume capturing wild snakes in the hills of Sussex. In the interim I will occupy my hours in writing the history of my life."

PASTOR TELLS WOMEN TO WEAR TROUSERS

Health and Comfort in Man's Attire, He Says.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 13.—Women who are mannish in dress have found a warm advocate in the Rev. Dr. James E. Norcross, pastor of the Shady Avenue Baptist Church and a lecturer nationally known. Dr. Norcross, in a series of Saturday night talks, declared last night that a comfortable, trouser-like skirt would result in better health.

"The women I saw in San Francisco," (Chinatown) were attired more sensibly than their Occidental sisters, and they were something very like trousers," he said.

"When God gave folks legs he intended them for use, and if all women adopted the masculine attire used by their sisters in mountain climbing they would feel better."

WHITMAN OPPOSES RAZING SING SING

Plans to Have \$400,000 Appropriated for New Cell Block.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 13.—Neither Governor Whitman nor legislative leaders agree with the State Prison Commission in its recommendation that Sing Sing prison be razed. Under the present plans of the administration Sing Sing will be retained and a new cell block constructed for it. An appropriation of \$400,000 for this cell block has already been agreed upon.

It is the belief of Governor Whitman that Sing Sing should be used as a criminal clearing house for the metropolitan district, and that a farm colony prison should be constructed at either Wingdale or Beekman. At both these places sites had been purchased at different times for a new prison, but the plans were later abandoned. The state still owns the property.

"Sing Sing is needed, and should not be abandoned," said the Governor to-night. "I am ardently in favor of a farm colony near the metropolitan district that will care for about 1,000 prisoners, but that will not obviate the necessity for Sing Sing as a receiving prison. The old cell block should be torn down and a new one constructed. It must be borne in mind that the prison population of New York is constantly growing."

Governor Whitman has already conferred with Warden William F. Homer of Great Meadow prison, where there is now a farm colony, concerning the construction of a farm colony prison at either Wingdale or Beekman. Most of the work, it is said, can be done by Wilson labor. Senator Henry M. Sage, chairman of the Finance Committee, represents the feelings of the legislative leaders toward the project. He has expressed himself in favor of the new cell block for Sing Sing, and has introduced a bill providing for the appointment of a commission to draft plans for the prison improvement.

Through the failure of the state to persist in any set plan for caring for the growing prison population the state in the last ten years has spent about \$747,000 on new prison projects, and now has only two sites worth less than \$100,000, to show for it. In 1906 the state spent \$217,000 at Bear Mountain for a new prison, which was abandoned when Mrs. E. H. Harriman offered a large tract of land in that vicinity for park purposes. If the Bear Mountain plans would be given up, it spent \$377,000 at Wingdale, \$100,000 to an architect, \$50,000 in prize money for plans, and \$4,000 for Beekman.

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BRACKETT HUNTS WHITMAN'S SCALP

Ex-Senator Declares Governor's Renomination Would Wreck Party.

BELIEVED BACKED BY UPTATE MEN

Several Republicans Thought to Have Joined to Put Whitman Out of Office.

(From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.)

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 13.—Declaring that Governor Whitman's renomination will lead to an open revolt in the Republican party, ex-Senator Edgar T. Brackett in a statement to-night launched what is believed to be a movement, backed by influential Republicans, to prevent the Governor from again heading the Republican ticket in this state next fall. The ex-Senator, who is one of the oldtime Republican warriors, declared that Governor Whitman's administration was wrecking the Republican party and that unless drastic action was taken the Governor would drive the party on the rocks.

"I think that Governor Whitman's renomination will lead to an open revolt

in the Republican party," Mr. Brackett said. "His administration has led to a deplorable situation. I never expected to live to see the time when Sulzer's administration was respectable in comparison to it."

"Now is the time for action. If Governor Whitman is continued in office for two years more the Republican party in this state will be in sorry straits. If something isn't done right now the party will be wrecked."

Ex-Senator Brackett said he had heard of much opposition in the rank and file of the Republican party against the renomination of Governor Whitman.

"The only persons who would feel at all disturbed over the failure of Governor Whitman to secure a renomination," the ex-Senator said, "would be a few job holders. The rank and file of the Republican party would be glad of it."

"This is the year to thrash it out. We will be in better shape if we admit our mistake now and deal honestly with the situation, instead of trying to put it off two years longer. We are sure to win in the nation this year, and whatever happens in this state, so far as the Governor is concerned, will in no way affect the outcome of the Presidential situation."

Like Brown or Hinman.

Mr. Brackett said he had no particular candidate for Governor Whitman's place. Senator Brown and ex-Senator Harvey D. Hinman would make excellent candidates, he added.

"Senator Brown is a Barnes man and ex-Senator Hinman is an anti-Barnes man," he remarked. "So you can take your choice."

At the recent Republican election for delegates to Tuesday's convention in Broome County ex-Senator Hinman easily defeated Excise Commissioner Green, the Whitman leader of the county.

While Mr. Brackett asserted that he was expressing his own views only, the fact that he was one of the ten Repub-

licans who signed the recent petition to Controller Travis asking for an investigation of the expenditures of state officials makes his statement significant. Among those associated with him were Herbert Parsons, Otto T. Bannard, Henry L. Stinson and Alexander M. White, chairman of the Republican State Committee. In a letter made public yesterday Mr. Brackett specifically demanded to know the cost of the "hoose" consumed on the Whitman trip to the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Controller Travis has asked the signers of the petition to confer with him for his office in New York to-morrow, but it was said here that several of the signers have informed the Controller that they must decline his invitation. Among these are Mr. Brackett, who says he is specifically interested in knowing the exact amount of the junket "hoose" bill, and also the cost of the trips which he says members of the Controller's party have taken at the expense of the state.

Others in Combination.

Despite Mr. Brackett's assertion that he is speaking for himself only in his attack on the administration of Governor Whitman, it is believed here that he is only one of several upstate Republicans who have joined to prevent the Governor's renomination.

From the contents of Mr. Brackett's letter, it was apparent that he and his friends also had their axes out for Controller Travis. The latter has buried the hatchet with the Governor and is regarded as one of the latter's boon friends. Up to a short time ago the Governor and the Controller were on the "outs."

Mr. Brackett declared to-night that he would insist on the "hoose" vouchers being made public. They were in existence, he said, and he purpose to exhaust every means to get at them. He declared that "if the Governor had any manhood at all" he would see to it that these vouchers were made public.

There was much curiosity here to-night as to the effect of the ex-Senator's attack on the Governor on the

Republican convention on Tuesday. There is no denying that a strong movement against the Governor has developed beneath the surface. Whether it will crop out in the convention remains to be seen.

There were reports to-night that Governor Whitman and the state chairman had reached the parting of the ways once more and that the chairman would openly fight the Governor in the convention.

Governor Whitman returned from Utica late this evening. He refused to make any comment on the statement or the demands of ex-Senator Brackett.

WILSON TO HEAR WAR POST PLEAS

Delegations Ready to Urge Candidates for Vacant Portfolio.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 13.—President Wilson's return to Washington to-morrow from his week end cruise on the Mayflower will mark the beginning of a busy week of conferences with leaders in Congress over the appointment of a new Secretary of War, national defense plans and other pending legislation.

Among those with whom the President has appointments to-morrow are several Congressional delegations with candidates for the vacancy in his Cabinet and others who want to suggest men for the Assistant Secretaryship. The President's advisers think that the

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new Secretary of War will be permitted to name his assistant.

Other delegations of representatives have appointments to urge the President to visit their districts in his tour of the country to advocate parsimony. The President has indicated, however, that he does not expect to start soon on another trip.

The usual semi-weekly Cabinet meetings, Tuesday and Friday, and the Presidential reception Friday night are on the week's program; and there will be conferences the last part of the week with House leaders, the rural credit bill and with House and Senate leaders on national preparedness.

Sunday saw no new candidates mentioned for Secretary of War. The impression seemed to be growing among the President's advisers that the new Secretary would not be chosen from the army.

Snow-Shovelling Exercise Fatal.

John Whalen, forty-eight, of Manhattan, Queens, felt the need of a little exercise last night. He got the shovel and tackled the snow in the back yard. Later his son, Edward, saw his father lying in a snow pile. A physician said that Whalen was killed by strenuous exercise.

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PEACE CONFERENCE CALLED

Delegates from All Counties to Make Taft's League Permanent.

William Jay Schieffelin has called a conference of delegates from all counties of the state, to be held on Washington's Birthday at the Hotel Manhattan, to make permanent the New York State branch of ex-President Taft's League to Enforce Peace.

The temporary county chairmen appointed by him are Dr. John H. Finley, Albany; William McCarroll, Kings; Ansley Wilcox, Erie; Albert G. Cornwell, Chemung; Frank Randal Hathaway, Columbia; J. M. Himebaugh, Chautauque; Theodore S. Kessler, Sullivan; W. E. Harling, Genesee; J. D. Fredericksen, Herkimer; Denis F. Wilcox, Queens; Charles P. Nell, Richmond; G. A. Beal, Orange; Peter A. Porter, Niagara; George W. Ray, Chenango; Herbert S. Houston, Nassau; L. W. Mott, Oswego; Walter H. Juycox, Suffolk; G. S. Shattuck, Yates; President Henry N. MacCracken of Vassar, Dutchess; Richard G. Shannon, Monroe; James F. Hooker, Schenectady; Elmer E. Brown, Bronx; Arthur S. Tomkins, Rockland; P. B. Hazard, Onondaga; William C. Sanger, Oneida; Melvil Dewey, Essex; W. H. Vary, Jefferson; A. T. Clearwater, Ulster; and Professor S. P. Orth, of Cornell, Tompkins.

Business Schools' Value Studied.

Commercial education in the schools of America, and its value in fitting boys and girls for actual commercial life, has been investigated by the New York Chamber of Commerce. It recently completed a thorough study of the efficiency of business schools in England, France and Germany. To continue the work the chamber has appointed a continuing committee, composed of Howard C. Smith, chairman; William H. Nichols, Eliza C. Church, Julio F. Soriano, J. Louis Schaefer, Alexander C. Humphreys and Lionel Sutro.

Auto Plough's Gas Tank Explodes.

Albert Spain, of 1723 Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn, driver of an auto snow-plough, was refilling the tank at Forty-eighth Street and First Avenue last night when the gasoline was ignited and exploded. Dr. McCullough took him to Flower Hospital.